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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP03/03048	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 14 MARCH 2003	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 16 APRIL 2002
TITLE OF INVENTION APPARATUS FOR SURFACE TREATMENT OF METALLIC SHEET, METHOD FOR PRODUCING METALLIC SHEET, AND APPARATUS FOR PRODUCING METALLIC		
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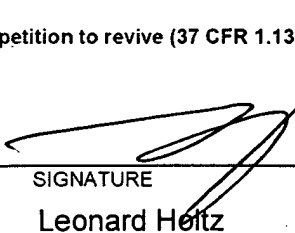
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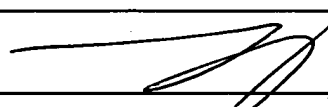
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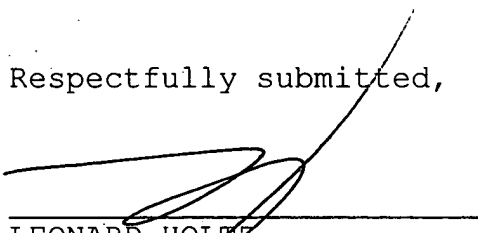
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